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PASS COMMERCE/NOAA - MRS. FOX

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OCON, TBIO, UK

SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL WHALING COMMISSION: RULES OF  
PROCEDURE

REF: STATE 67935

1. WE CONTACTED STACEY REGARDING POINTS RAISED REFTEL.  
HE SAID HE HAD MAILED REPLY TO DR. WHITE ON APRIL 3.  
NO PROBLEM IN IWC'S RECEIVING DR. WHITE'S COMMENTS  
AFTER APRIL 1, SINCE MR. STACEY HAS RECEIVED SO FEW  
COMMENTS TO DATE THAT HE WILL BE UNABLE IN ANY EVENT  
TO ISSUE REVISED RULES BEFORE MAY.

2. AS FOR PROPOSED CHANGE IN RULE III, STACEY OFFERED  
THE FOLLOWING EXPLANATION: UNDER THE PREVIOUS PROCEDURE  
STACEY AUTOMATICALLY ISSUED OBSERVER INVITATIONS TO  
NON-MEMBER GOVERNMENTS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS  
THAT HAD PREVIOUSLY ATTENDED AS OBSERVERS. IN CASE  
OF APPLICATION FROM INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS DESIR-  
ING HAVE OBSERVER STATUS FOR FIRST TIME, STACEY FIRST  
SATISFIED HIMSELF THAT THE ORGANIZATION IS INDEED  
INTERNATIONAL. THEN HE WOULD REFER THE REQUEST TO THE  
COMMISSION FOR DECISION.

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3. THIS PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING NEW APPLICATIONS HAS PROVEN CUMBERSOME. UNDER REVISED PROCEDURE, STACEY WOULD CHECK CREDENTIALS OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION AS BEFORE, BUT DECISION ON ATTENDANCE WOULD BE TAKEN BY CHAIRMAN. CHAIRMAN, IF IN DOUBT, MAY REFER DECISION TO COMMISSION. THUS, WHILE REVISED RULE WOULD PERMIT PROMPT DECISION BY CHAIRMAN ON ATTENDANCE, IT WOULD ALLOW MAXIMUM FLEXIBILITY.

4. IN COURSE OF CONVERSATION STACEY ASKED WHETHER WE ARE HAVING TALKS WITH JAPANESE ON QUESTION OF RENEWING OBSERVER SCHEME FOR NORTH PACIFIC LAND STATIONS. PLEASE ADVISE.

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